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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. 20. (canceled)
- 21. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid consisting of <u>X nucleotides wherein</u> the sequence of the nucleic acid comprises:
  - (a) 18 to 24 consecutive Y nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 3740437405;
  - (b) an RNA equivalent of (a);
  - (c) a sequence at least 8062.5% identical to (a) or (b); or
  - (d) the complement of any one of (a)-(c),

wherein,

X = 18 to 24

 $X \ge Y$ , and

Y≥18.

- 22. 45 (Canceled)
- 46. (New) An isolated nucleic acid consisting of X nucleotides wherein the sequence of the nucleic acid comprises:
  - (a) Y nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 37405;
  - (b) an RNA equivalent of (a);
  - (c) a sequence at least 62.5% identical to (a) or (b); or
  - (d) The complement of any one of (a)-(c),

wherein,

X=50 to 120,

X>Y, and

Y≥18.

- 47. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 21, wherein (c) is a sequence at least 75.0% identical to (a) or (b).
- 48. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 46, wherein (c) is a sequence at least 75.0% identical to (a) or (b).
- 49. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 21, wherein (c) is a sequence at least 83.4% identical to (a) or (b).

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50. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 46, wherein (c) is a sequence at least 83.4% identical to (a) or (b).

- 51. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 21, 46, 47, 48, 49, or 50, wherein X = Y.
- 52. (New) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 21, 46, 47, 48, 49, or 50.